



AUGUST 2023

Dear Readers,

Carnival Month has arrived!

Unfortunately, after a very pleasant and fairly sunny June and early July, the weather has gone back to what we like to complain about best – lots and lots of rain and chilly winds. Fortunately, it didn't put visitors off coming to admire people's open gardens and despite an absence of sunshine the day was a success. Let's hope that the Wells Week events, and the Carnival in particular, will be blessed with reasonable (shorts and T-shirts!) weather. We really wouldn't want it to 'rain on the parade'...

Meanwhile, following a fortnight of tennis (with interesting results) we are now left with cricket (result still pending at time of writing) and women's football to pass the time when it's too inclement to venture outside. If you don't like any of these sports, however, there's always 'Old School Sports Day' on the recreation ground on Carnival Sunday. See you there!

All contributions for the SEPTEMBER issue must be submitted by Friday, August 25th 2023, 5pm

to ensure inclusion.

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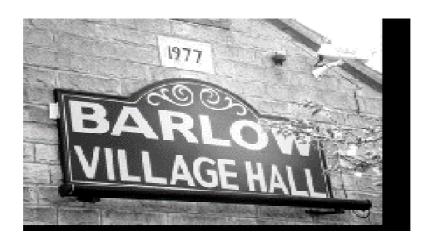
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CHURCH ROTA AUGUST 2023

Services	Sides- person	Reader	Intercessions	Cleaning Wednesdays
Sunday 6 th Aug 8am service 11am service	A Haslam	C Mitchell	P Gouldthorpe	T Malley & T Woodhouse
Sunday13 th Aug 8am Said Mass 11am family service	J Layton J West	To be confirmed	To be confirmed	
Wednesday 16 th August - Wells services 7am & 6.30pm				
Sunday 20 th August 11am service	J Kingston	D Barnes	J West	
Sunday 27 th August 11am service	A Haslam	D Windle	J Windle	M Reeves & P Gouldthorpe
Sunday 3 rd September 11am service	A Jacques	J West	M Hancock	

FROM CHURCH REGISTERS: AUGUST 2023

FUNERALS --- None

16th July 2023---Margaret Rowbottom---Ashes burial 27th July 2023---Gail Peat---Ashes burial 29th July 2023---Anthony Nunn---Ashes burial

BAPTISMS --- None

WEDDINGS --- None

YEARS MIND FOR AUGUST

From the church registers -

* Denotes date of funeral or ashes burial

2ND JACKIE LUDBROOK (NEE **DICKMAN)** ---2020 **3RD MADGE LONGDEN---1977** WILLIS PICKERING---1981 4TH HORACE ROWE---1966 ENA CROSBIE---2006 5TH BENJAMIN DOE---1976 6TH MARJORIE REDFERN---1994 *MARY MARGERESON---2012 DAVID WHITEHOUSE---1961 **7TH JUNE R. HARDY---2001** 9TH RUDOLFO R. ORLANDI---1985 MICHAEL JOLLEY---1993 **JOYCE HARRISON---2013** DAVID CRATCHLEY---2014 11TH ALICE WILSON---1972 JOHN W. SAVAGE---1978 **ERNEST BARGH---1980 12TH ABIGAIL MARGERISON---**1974 MERVYN F. WRIGHT---1978 **13TH ANN HALLATT---1975 EDITH PICKERING---2002** MIRIAM M BATTERHAM---2011 **14TH MAY BRADBURY---1972** 15TH CHARLES W. WALKER---2000 LEWIS HARDWICK---2000 **ANTHONY PETER JAMES---2009**

16TH PHYLLIS COLLIS---1982 RAYMOND HASLAM---1988 17TH DOROTHY J. D'SILVA---1993 18TH * HERBERT HALLAM---2009 BESSIE SILCOCK---2022 19TH SYLVIA V. BARRETT---2005 *AMY DORIS ASKILL---2014 *VERA HOLE---2014 **20TH CLIFFORD BOWN---1973** STANLEY LEDGER---2002 **21ST SYBIL E. NEEDHAM---1997** 22ND HENRY HASLAM---1986 23RD FREDA E. HOPKINSON---1968 MARIE H. SHEMWELL---1994 **24TH FLORENCE A. HILL---1978** 25TH ARTHUR STOCK---1999 MICHAEL J. AIZELWOOD---2002 **26TH DOROTHY CALVERT---1983** 27TH WILLIAM HANDCOCK---1965 28TH AUDREY NEWBOLD---2013 29TH MAVIS NUTTALL---1993 **30TH MURIEL J WATSON---2009 RUBY GRACE LEE---2016** 31ST WILLIAM SOUTH---1992



BARLOW CHURCH

(ST. LAWRENCE)



Dear Friends,

As the summer holidays come around once again, I've been remembering my own childhood and those long lazy days with nothing much to do, or so it seemed. If the weather was dry, one thing was sure, we'd be told to go outside to play, either in the garden or nearby fields (with the farmer's permission of course!). At the time I was often quite reluctant to take advantage of such freedoms but these days I relish any opportunity to be away from my desk and able to walk in the countryside. My sense of perspective has changed as I've got older, and things I once took for granted have become much more precious.

One observation I often make at children's baptisms is how they (children) can teach adults to better appreciate the world around them, often by drawing attention to tiny things that otherwise might go unnoticed - the petals on a daisy, a little bug on a leaf, a stick floating on a puddle. If we let them, small children can help us to slow down and see or experience creation in a new way, full of wonder. This deeper level of attention is perhaps what prompted Mary Oliver to write 'The Summer Day'.

Who made the world?
Who made the swan, and the black bear?
Who made the grasshopper?
This grasshopper, I mean —
the one who has flung herself out of the grass,
the one who is eating sugar out of my hand,



who is moving her jaws back and forth instead of up and down—who is gazing around with her enormous and complicated eyes.

Now she lifts her pale forearms and thoroughly washes her face.

Now she snaps her wings open, and floats away.

I don't know exactly what a prayer is.

I do know how to pay attention, how to fall down into the grass, how to kneel down in the grass, how to be idle and blessed, how to stroll through the fields, which is what I have been doing all day.

Tell me, what else should I have done?

Doesn't everything die at last, and too soon?

Tell me, what is it you plan to do with your one wild and precious life?

(Mary Oliver)

The most famous lines of this poem are the last two which have become popular affirmations found on coasters, wall signs and posters etc., but perhaps the most important question is the one that comes a little earlier: "Tell me, what else should I have done?"

It begs the questions - how am I to live and be *today*? What truly makes for a fulfilling and fulfilled life? Whilst most of us simply don't have time to spend hours gazing at a grasshopper, perhaps this poem will still encourage us to be still every now and then for a moment, to appreciate more deeply the beauty of the natural world around us - and to do what we can to ensure that future generations might experience the same.

Happy Holidays! Amongst the busy-ness of family time and preparing for the Carnival and Well Dressings, may you find some time also for both rest and recreation.

Revd Sarah

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CHURCH NEWS

(ST. LAWRENCE)



Dear Friends,

The Open Gardens event was a great success again this year, thanks to the efforts of many people.

There is a wonderful relationship between the village and the Church here in Barlow and nothing expresses that friendliness and cooperation as much as the Open Gardens event. So much effort was put in by all our supporters and we would like to thank everyone who helped.

Mike, Janice and Peter did a magnificent job and of course the event could not exist if it were not for all of you who are willing to open your gardens to visitors.

Many helped behind the scenes; by allowing us to use their land for car parking, baking or donating goods. Clarence and Jo once again provided the milk and cream. Millthorpe Nursery and Dunston Garden Centre donated prizes for the children's pebble hunt and the children of Barlow School painted the pebbles.

This year we had a sponsor for the first time and would like to thank James Staves for his support and also everyone who advertised in the brochure.

Thanks also go to those who helped on the day with refreshments or on one of the car parks.

Not only do we have helpers from Church and from the community, but also from friends of Barlow Church from Chesterfield, Sheffield and Bolsover. We also have cake bakers contributing from far and wide.

The event has become a vital fundraising event for Church and it helps us to keep a worshipping presence in the village.

The church building is a listed building, almost nine hundred years old, and it takes a significant amount of money to keep the building open and

operational, plus there is a contribution that every church has to pay to the Diocese for central costs (such as clergy etc.).

Recently we have faced, along with other organisations and individuals, a challenge around the general increase in running costs, and particularly with rising energy costs. We are also part way through a programme of maintenance work, including vital roof repairs and redecoration, which was delayed due to the Covid pandemic.

This year's Open Gardens event raised a fantastic amount of just over £4,500, which is amazing and very much appreciated. Thank you once again.

Barlow Singers Open Rehearsal

On Tuesday 8th August from 7pm, Barlow singers will be holding an open rehearsal in Church to raise funds for the resurfacing of the Pre-School playground appeal and for Church. Please come along if you can for music and refreshments.

Wells Parade & Flower Festival

The flower festival will run from the 16th to 22nd August; the theme this year is "Who Am I?"

As always, you can sponsor a display, please see the separate entry.

The Wells service is at 6.30pm in Church on Wednesday the 16th August, followed by the traditional walk through the village, blessing of each well and the fair and ending at the village green for the Maypole dancing. Please do come along.

Please note that on Sunday 20th August there will be the family service in Church at 11am until around midday; everyone is welcome to come along and join in.

If anyone would like to help during the week, either with sitting in Church and greeting visitors or helping with refreshments, please contact Pete or Julie. Thank you.

Harvest Supper

Looking forward to autumn events, this year's harvest supper will once again be held in the village hall from 5.30pm on Sunday 8th October. Pies,

peas & pudding will be served for £12.50 per person. All are welcome, just contact the Churchwardens if you would like to come along.

Christmas Tree Festival

This year for the first time we will be having a Christmas Tree Festival in Church from 22nd to 29th November; see the separate entry.

If you would be interested in decorating a tree for the festival, please contact the Churchwardens.

Baked Goods

We would like to thank everyone who baked for the Open Gardens event. The response was overwhelming and we would like to send thanks to everyone who made the effort to support us. There are such talented bakers around and our visitors were very complimentary about how delicious all the cakes and scones were.

If we could ask for your support just once more for the flower festival please....?

Church Opening

Thanks to a small group of volunteers, Church is now open on Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays from 10am until 4pm. All are welcome to come in for quiet time, private prayer, to light a candle for a loved one, or just to visit and explore this wonderful historic building.

Upcoming Events

Barlow Singers Open Rehearsal: Tuesday 8th August 7pm

Wells service and parade: Wednesday 16th August 6.30pm

Flower Festival: Wednesday 16th – Tuesday 22nd August

Harvest Supper: Sunday 8th October 5.30pm

Christmas Tree Festival: 22nd – 29th November

Christmas Party for those living alone: afternoon of Saturday 2nd December at the Village Hall; more information to follow

Carol Concert: Tuesday 19th December

Happy Carnival month everyone. With best wishes,

Pete & Julie

WOULD YOU LIKE TO SPONSOR A FLOWER ARRANGEMENT AT THE BARLOW CHURCH FLOWER FESTIVAL in 2023?

IT'S NOT TOO LATE!!!



The Church Flower Festival will soon be here, starting on 16th August 2023. Helen and Sue make a wonderful job every year in providing beautiful, interesting and imaginative arrangements which are greatly enjoyed by our many visitors during Wells Week. This year's theme 'WHO AM I?' has been eagerly anticipated and - as always - we are sure it will bring back many nostalgic memories.

The Church relies heavily on the Flower Festival, refreshments and cream teas to raise much needed funds in order to pay our way through the year. Not only have our running costs risen dramatically, so has the cost of the flowers for the festival and this makes a very large hole in our fund-raising effort.

If you are a private individual, or a local business wishing to raise its profile, a donation of £35 would sponsor one of the arrangements and your sponsorship will be acknowledged on the display. To ease the cost, why not share the sponsorship with a friend?

If you would like to help, please contact the Churchwardens: Julie (07799 639566) or Pete (07749 287834)

or

Janet, our Treasurer (01246 206964)

BARLOW MAIN WELL



HEAVY LIFTERS



Several appeals for helpers for the various tasks involved in the well dressings over the last few weeks have resulted in a few volunteers coming forward for whom we are most grateful.

The most pressing tasks which have to be completed first are the following:

CLAY PUDDLING:

This involves softening the clay from last year. If trampling clay is your thing, turn up at the farmyard opposite the Peacock car park (but slightly higher up the hill) on Friday 4th August at 6.30pm. It's like treading grapes, but you will need your wellies.

ERECTING THE WELL FRAME:

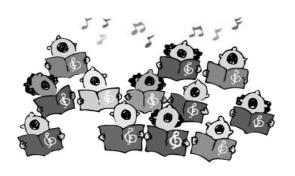
The well frame needs to be taken from the above farmyard down to the well site. There is some heavy lifting involved to load the trailer and erect the frame when on site, hence it is crucial to have enough manpower on hand. If you're willing to help with this crucial task, please turn up at the farmyard at 6pm on Monday 7th August 2023. Many hands make light work!

Thanks.

Peter Gouldthorpe <u>mouldygouldy@gmail.com</u> 07749287834.

Barlow Singers

invite you to an open rehearsal at St Lawrence Church, Barlow



Tuesday 8th August 2023 7.00pm start

Refreshments will be served, and there will be a raffle to raise funds for Barlow Pre-School and St Lawrence's Church.









ST.LAWRENCE CHURCH, BARLOW





CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL

22-29TH NOVEMBER 2023 10-3PM



If you would like to display a tree please contact Church warden .

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Planning Matters

PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR CONSULTATION

NED 23/00560/FL – Temporary dwelling for agricultural occupancy (Private drainage system) at Oak Tree Farm, Johnnygate Lane, Barlow

RESOLVED no comments.

NED 23/00492/LB – Retrospective application for Listed Building consent works to roof at Lees Hall Farm, Barlow Lees Lane, Barlow

RESOLVED no comments.

NED 23/00028/FL – Change of use from church to dwelling, side extension and raising of roof to rear (Amended Plans) at Barlow Methodist Church, Millcross Lane, Barlow

RESOLVED no comments.

PLANNING DECISIONS

- NED 23/00084/FL The erection of a steel portaled framed agricultural building with existing access track (Amended Plans) at Furnace Farm, Furnace Lane, Barlow
 - Conditionally Approved 23 June 2023
- NED 23/00207/DISCON Application to discharge condition 6 (stone edge detail) and condition 7 (Termini to wall ends) pursuant to planning application 22/00282/FL at Mill Farm Cottage, Crow Hole, Barlow – Refused 23 June 2023
- NED 22/00793/FL Section 73 application for variation to conditions 3 (Biomass Boiler Location), 4 (Position of external

- flue), 8 (Outside storage of timer) and 11 (scheme of landscaping) pursuant to planning approval 19/00103/FL (Amended Plans) at Oak Tree Farm, Johnnygate Lane, Barlow Conditionally approved 30 May 2023
- NED 23/00378/CATPO Notification of intention to fell 10
 Ash trees within Barlow Grange Conservation Area at Figg Barn, Grange Lane, Barlow Approved 26 May 2023

 RESOLVED noted.

ANY OTHER PLANNING MATTERS No other planning matters circulated.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS CIRCULATED AT THE MEETING No further planning applications circulated.



Vacancies

We currently have two vacancies on the Parish Council which we will be able to fill through co-opting. Any Barlow resident who thinks they may be able to spare the time and would like to have a say in all matters concerning our village, please contact the clerk. We look forward to hearing from you.

Date of next meeting

There is no meeting in August. Next Council meeting is on September 5th.

BARLOW PRE-SCHOOL



Dear Friends,

Another year at Barlow Pre-School has come to an end. It's an exciting time for our children who are moving on to big school, but a sad time for us as staff, as we had to say good-bye to them. Our leavers party was a huge success with a bouncy castle, slide, party food and gifts for all the children, kindly provided by the committee. The annual sunflower competition has been very popular again this year with some giant entries! Thank you to Charlie Village and Francesca who supplied all the sunflower seeds and the winning prize. All the children also received a voucher for a free day at Village Sunflowers.

We ran a summer holiday club for a couple of weeks again this year and local businesses were really supportive. Thank you to Barlow Sunflowers, Barlow Fishing Lakes and The Tickled Trout for accommodating us. The children (and staff) had a great time.



Our new gazebo is finally finished and it looks amazing. This will be a great addition to our outdoor area. We cannot wait to start using it in September!

We would like to say a big thank you to everyone who has donated to our just giving page so far to help us purchase new surfacing. We have had an especially kind donation which was anonymous. We really appreciate your support. So far we have raised £1,000 towards the £12,000 target. Please follow the link below if you would like to make a donation: https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/barlowpreschool?utm_source=copyLink&utm_medium=one_page&utm_content=campaign/barlowpreschool&utm_campaign=pfp-

share&utm_term=fc8f07ed99e84c33a6bd85f85cebce6b

We hope everyone has a wonderful summer and look forward to seeing lots of our families at the Barlow Carnival. Please look out for our float and cheer the children on. Our parents have put a lot of effort into decorating it.

Many thanks, Jo & all the staff

BARLOW CofE SCHOOL



Latest news

We have come to the end of a very busy year. Year 6 are now well on their way to Outwood and Dronfield Henry Fanshaw School. We've had the school disco, the Y6 bowling and the leavers' show and service. Our children's acting and singing talents were certainly put to the test in a fun filled show. See below for more information from our Y5 participants.

Last week on Wednesday 12th on July 2023, we performed a KS2 play

and it was called I'm An 11 Year Old Get Me Out Of Here. Instead of Ant and Dec, it was Grant and Bex and I played the part of Grant and Bex's makeup artist Millie and I also played the part of a contestant. It was really fun practising and performing the play especially on the day because we all got sweets after our first performance. Personally, my favourite song was Lumpy Custard. My



favourite part of the play was when George and Jake did their infant part.

I think Ellie did really well in the play when she did her mum 2 part because she showed up in a sports top ,shorts, a sporty bag with a nokia phone, nike trainers and also she wore my slippers. Also Thomas S looked so funny in a suit and sunglasses.

Harriet

On Wednesday 12th July, we performed a KS2 play about being in the



jungle doing celebrity stuff. The theme was I am an 11 year old get me out of here. The parts I was playing was girl 4, which was about the dunny, I found it very funny. Another part I was playing was Infant 2 about sneaking up on a teacher asking if we can hold their hand. The last person I was playing was teacher 6 and I was reading out a letter from

home. This was a play for our parents to go to, so in between we got to have a biscuit and got to go outside to play. My favourite song was Cringe.

Eleanor

Last week, we performed a KS2 play about "I'm a celebrity get me out of here" but we called it "I'm an 11 year old get me out of here". We did the play to celebrate the Y6s leaving. It was really fun. I think it was kind of like the real programme and it was really funny as well. My favourite scene was probably the there, their, they're challenge because it was funny

when my Dad (Isaac) put one of the cards in the wrong place. I played Contestant 1, Contestant 10 and Dad 2. My favourite song was "Cringe" even though it was the hardest to sing.

Luca

Mrs Wilson's retirement

Most of our Y6 have been here for 7 years. For some of the children we remember them as pre-schoolers as well, so we have known them a very long time. However, for Mrs Wilson, she has seen a generation of children

coming through. Mrs Wilson has been here since 2000. This has been her only teaching post and she has now reached retirement age. We are very sad to see her go. She has helped shape so many cohorts of children as they have moved through Reception and on throughout the school. As a colleague, she has always proved a fount of knowledge and a good friend and advisor to everyone she has worked with. We can't quite imagine Barlow School without her, but would like to wish her all the best in her retirement. We know she is planning significant amount of travelling in her new found leisure time so hope she has lots of adventures.



Mrs Wilson would like to express her thanks to all the parents and friends of the school who contributed so generously to her leaving gift. We had a short ceremony in the playground to present her gift, attended by all the children and many parents. The children had made a lovely tree print where all the leaves were the children's fingerprints. I know that this will be a lovely memento for her.

Next year

We are looking forward to next year and to welcoming 13 children into the new Amethyst class along with a couple of new starters further up the school. We don't have any new staff as Mrs Wilson's role is being covered by a rearrangement of existing staff.

As we move into the Autumn term, we will be offering individual tours of the school for prospective new pupils. If you know a child who was born between 1st September 2019 and 31st August 2020, please encourage their parents to get in touch and come and visit our fabulous village school. Mrs Morton and Mrs Gregory in the office can be contacted on 0114 289 0413.

FOBS

Friends of Barlow School

So here we are at the end of term and looking forward to our final event of the year, the school disco. The children love this event and it should be a great send off for our year 6 leavers. We wish them all the very best for their transition to secondary school – exciting times ahead!

At the start of the month we had the fabulous Barlow Open Gardens and the School had a wonderful day selling delicious homemade cakes and drinks, with a small plant stall on the side. The FOBS team were thrilled to have made over £500 towards the work we are doing to support upgrading the outdoor space and overhauling the library. A very big thank you to the team of supporters and staff who manned the stall and for all the generous donations of delicious cakes.

It won't have escaped your notice that Carnival Week is fast approaching, so do keep an eye out for the School float and the decorations at the front of the school. Preparations are already underway and a lot of hard work is going on behind the scenes.

Lastly, we are already looking ahead to September and are excited to welcome the new children and their families to the school.

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POETRY CORNER

MORE SUMMER POEMS

An August Wood Road

by Sir Charles George Douglas Roberts

When the partridge coveys fly In the birch-tops cool and high;

When the dry cicadas twang Where the purpling fir-cones hang;

When the bunch-berries emboss— Scarlet beads—the roadside moss;

Brown with shadows, bright with sun, All day long till day is done

Sleeps in murmuring solitude
The worn old road that threads the wood.

In its deep cup—grassy, cool—Sleeps the little roadside pool;

Sleeps the butterfly on the weed, Sleeps the drifted thistle-seed.

Like a great and blazing gem, Basks the beetle on the stem.

Up and down the shining rays
Dancing midges weave their maze.

High among the moveless boughs, Drunk with day, the night-hawks drowse.

Far up, unfathomably blue, August's heaven vibrates through.

The old road leads to all things good; The year's at full, and time's at flood

August

by Annette Wynne

August days are hot and still,
Not a breath on house or hill,
Not a breath on height or plain,
Weary travellers cry for rain;
But the children quickly find
A shady place quite to their mind;
And there all quietly they stay,
Until the sun has gone away,—
August is too hot for play!

WELL DONE!

(This could become a new feature, where we celebrate the achievements of the young people of Barlow. If you know about someone who deserves a mention, please email the editor.)





MUSICAL SUCCESS!

After only 18 months of piano lessons one of our Barlow young ladies has achieved a splendid High Merit in her Grade 1 exam. Congratulations, Harriet!

CARNIVAL

Dear All,

We will shortly be distributing a newsletter detailing all the events for Carnival in full, along with entry forms for the Scarecrow Competition. In the meantime, you will find the full schedule for Carnival Week below.

But first a reflection on the Fun Run held at the Village Hall on the 14th July. The weather was biblical, but that didn't stop over one hundred runners competing in the event. Despite the rain, all completed the run with the fastest time being just over 30 minutes. A big 'thank you' to all those who volunteered to help make the day enjoyable and safe. Also another big 'thank you' to Sam Bellamy in his first year of organising this event and taking over from Tommy Crowley. All participants enjoyed the well earned chip butty at the end.

Full Iteneray for Carnival at the Village Hall

Monday 14th --- Bottle Collection (You can pre-purchase entry tickets / programmes)

Wednesday 16th --- Scarecrow Competition, Hunt the Scarecrow and Treasure Hunt, Blessing of the wells and Maypole Dancing.

Thursday 17th --- Family Bingo and Quiz Night, from 6.00pm

Friday 18th --- Cinema Night, showing 'Dirty Dancing' from 6.30pm

Saturday 19th --- Parade at 1.00pm and Rock the Carnival from 7.00 pm.

Sunday 20th --- Family Fun Day, Dog Show, Old School Sports Day

Tickets for the Cinema and Rock the Carnival can be purchased through barlowcarnival.co.uk.

Remember: The parade is at 1.00pm this year, so road closure will be from 12.45pm to 2.15pm.

<u>Volunteers wanted</u>: Carnival can only happen with the support and good will of local people. As always, we welcome anyone who can spare an hour or so to help us through the day. If you would like to help, please contact us through <u>info@barlowcarnival.co.uk</u> or contact:

Terry 07860 758037 James 07895 760607

HADDON HALL

A couple of months back, quite by accident, we spotted our resident writer and author of the book 'Bordering on the Ridiculous', Jon Cook, on the TV programme 'Songs of Praise'. He was being interviewed in his capacity as tour guide at Haddon Hall, so we asked him to write a short piece about his work. He very kindly obliged by sending the following account:

A day in the life of a Haddon Hall Guide

My day starts with walking up to the magnificent setting of the Hall nestled along the banks of the River Wye, one of the cleanest rivers in England. I walk over the bridge, where wonderful flowers, birds and other wildlife such as swans change with the seasons. Every time I see the view of the house from the bridge it is stunning. Unbelievably, the house is over 900 years old and yet only two families have lived here in that time. As a result, each time I work in the Hall I find out something new. Before the Hall opens, we have a Hall briefing for the guides. All the guides are enthusiastic and dedicated to protecting this superb stately home. It is owned and lived in by Lord and Lady Edward Manners who take an active role in the everyday running of the Hall. The visitors are always appreciative when I tell them stories about the Hall. It is no wonder people come back to visit us year on year. I explain to visitors:

- To look out for the crests of the Vernons (boar's head) and the Manners (peacock).
- That the tapestry in the Great Hall was given to the Vernon family by Henry VIII.
- The Board (table) in the Great Hall is from around 1400 and is where we get the expressions "bed and board" and "treading the boards".
- The effigy of Robert Manners in the chapel shows he died when he was only 9 years old.
- There is a portrait painting where the feet seem to move when you walk past it!
- To imagine the romantic elopement of Dorothy Vernon as she ran down the Long Gallery into the terraced gardens to meet her lover.
- The house was left empty or "mothballed" for 200 years before sympathetic restoration.



30% discount off Haddon Hall entry for Derbyshire residents! Following the success of last year's discount scheme, Haddon Hall has carried it into the 2023 season.

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Jon Cook 17/07/23

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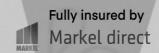
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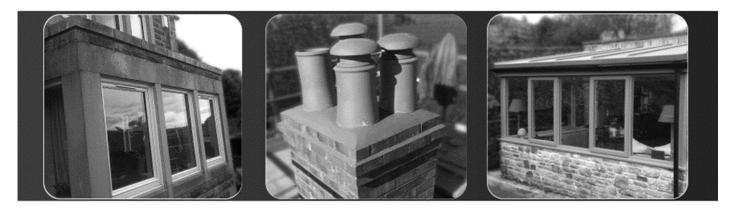
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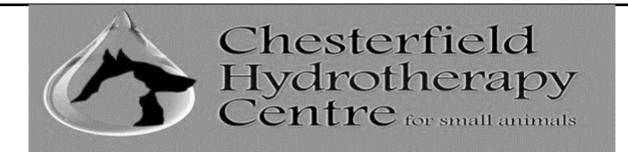
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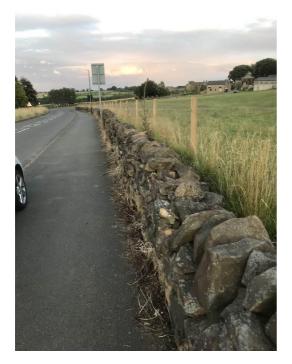






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